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Stocks of Grains

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UNITED STATES STOCKS
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FEED GRAIN STOCKS AT RECORD LEVEL

Stocks of corn and barley in all positions on October 1 reached new record high levels for that date and sorghum grain stocks pushed to a near record level. Corn stocks of 1,357 million bushels and barley stocks of 464 million bushels exceeded the previous records by 16 and 14 percent, respectively. Stocks of sorghum grain were only 1 percent less than the record stocks of a year earlier and wheat stocks 11 percent less than the previous year's record holdings. Stocks of feed grains---corn, oats, barley and sorghum grain--add to a total of 70.3 million tons--the largest of record and compares with 61.1 million tons a year earlier and the record holdings of 62.1 million tons October 1, 1955.

Stocks of 1,599 million bushels of Wheat stored in all positions on October 1 were the smallest since 1953 but still the fourth largest of record. The total is significantly smaller than the record stocks of a year earlier but more than a fifth larger than average. The stocks total is three-fourths larger than the 1957 production, reflecting the large carry-over of old wheat on July 1.

Off-farm wheat stocks of 1,210 million bushels were 12 percent smaller than a year earlier with stocks in each off-farm position less than the previous year. Stocks owned by the government and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC showed the sharpest decline, being reduced by more than a third. Stocks in terminals and interior mills and elevators were reduced by 12 and 7 percent, respectively. More than one-half of the total stocks were either owned by the government or were under government loan.

Rye stocks of 29.6 million bushels stored in all positions on October 1 were 4 percent above a year earlier and 30 percent above the 1946-55 average. Off-farm stocks of 14.2 million bushels were 10 percent below October 1, 1956 and were the smallest since 1953. In contrast, farm stocks of 15.4 million bushels on October 1 were 22 percent above a year earlier and accounted for 52 percent of total stocks. Terminal stocks of 7.7 million bushels, down 27 percent from a year earlier, were still 12 percent above average and accounted for 26 percent of the total stocks. Interior mills and elevator stocks of 6.5 million bushels were 30 percent above last year and 46 percent above average. Stocks stored in Government-owned bins were quite small but about one-third of the off-farm total was either owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation or warehouse-stored under Government loan.

Old Corn in all storage positions of 1,357 million bushels on October 1 were the largest stocks of record for that date. They were 16 percent larger than the previous

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high in 1956. This represents the fifth consecutive year carry-over of old corn has increased. Stocks on farms of 416 million bushels were 39 percent larger than a year earlier and highest for October since 1950, although well below record level. Total off-farm storage was about 9 percent above the 1956 previous record. Storage in interior mills, elevators and warehouses was 109 million bushels above a year earlier, an increase of over a half. Storage at terminals of 116 million bushels was nearly double last October. Corn owned or under price support by CCC dominated the volume in all storages. Disappearance of corn from all storage positions for the July - September quarter of 606 million bushels was 5 percent larger than the 1956 previous record rate for the quarter.

Oats stocks of 1,184 million bushels on October 1, were 13 percent larger than a year earlier but smaller than for the same date the two preceding years. Farm stocks of 1,079 million bushels were 17 percent larger than a year earlier. Stocks off-farms were 18 percent below October 1, 1956 and smallest for the date in four years. Oats under CCC ownership and price support in all storage positions were about 40 percent less than a year earlier. Disappearance of oats in the July - September quarter at 392 million bushels was 12 percent less than 1956 and smallest in 4 years.

Stocks of Barley on October 1 were a record 463.7 million bushels and were 19 percent larger than the 388.9 million bushels on hand a year earlier. The previous record was the October 1, 1955 stocks of 405.8 million bushels. October 1 stocks were record large in all but the terminal storage positions. Terminal storage holdings of 44.9 million bushels interior mills and elevators at 142.0 million, and CCC bins at 4.6 million gave a total of 191.4 million bushels in off-farm storage positions. Farm stocks on October 1, 1957 were estimated at 272.3 million bushels. July - September, 1957 disappearance of barley from all storage positions was 94 million bushels - - below the 101 million bushels a year earlier but above average.

Holdings of old Sorghum grain in all storage positions on October 1, 1957 totaled 80.6 million bushels. This carry-over of sorghum grain was slightly under last year's record of 81.4 million bushels. The decrease in total stocks resulted from October 1, 1957 farm stocks of only 3.4 million bushels compared with 5.6 million on farms on that date last year. October 1, 1957 off-farm stocks totalling 77.2 million bushels - - most of which was government owned -- were record large for the date and compared with 75.8 million bushels in those positions a year earlier. July - September disappearance of sorghum grain from all storages at 18 million bushels was one-half the rate for the similar period last year.

Soybean carryover stocks in all storage positions on October 1, are estimated at 9.9 million bushels. This compares with only 3.7 million bushels on hand a year ago and is more than double the October 1 average.

From an estimated supply of 459.6 million bushels (carryover October 1, 1956 of 3.7 million plus 1956 preliminary production of 455.9 million bushels) a disappearance of about 450 million bushels is indicated for the crop year by the October 1 stocks. Actual disappearance for the period includes about 316 million bushels processed for oil, around 85 million bushels exported, and seed, feed, losses, etc; of about 33 million bushels. In addition, processings and exports during September 1956 of perhaps 12 million bushels from the 1956 crop should also be included. This indicates a difference of only about one percent, thus no major revision in the 1956 crop production appears likely. Due to the late crop and generally ample supplies, relatively few 1957 crop soybeans were processed in September 1957.

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Stocks of grains, October 1, 1957 with comparisons

(in thousand bushels)

Grain and Position		Oct. 1 1946-55	Av.: 1956	Oct. 1 1957	July 1 1957	Oct. 1 1957
WHEAT	On Farms 1/	507,425	417,276	59,540	388,390	
	Terminals 2/	278,460	467,254	313,481	412,237	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	34,194	134,362	91,010	82,883	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	487,712	778,461	444,326	715,103	
	TOTAL	1,307,792	1,797,353	908,357	1,598,613	
RYE	On Farms 1/	12,065	12,601	2,066	15,373	
	Terminals 2/	5,924	10,517	2,023	7,684	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	331	225	149	25	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	4,448	4,985	2,416	6,502	
	TOTAL	22,768	28,328	6,654	29,584	
CORN	On Farms 1/	317,034	300,095	1,118,383	416,276	
	Terminals 2/	17,443	64,134	149,264	115,856	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	229,246	599,768	406,164	514,023	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	54,903	201,498	288,989	310,497	
	TOTAL	618,627	1,165,495	1,962,800	1,356,652	
OATS	On Farms 1/	1,061,048	923,394	191,840	1,079,183	
	Terminals 2/	27,309	38,424	12,066	25,420	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	2,454	6,881	2,079	2,277	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	58,045	82,562	32,557	77,189	
	TOTAL	1,148,856	1,051,261	238,542	1,184,069	
BARLEY	On Farms 1/	180,409	225,013	41,546	272,305	
	Terminals 2/	24,729	51,447	31,252	44,855	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	1,561	1,983	4,082	4,615	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	75,812	110,446	49,830	141,255	
	TOTAL	282,511	388,889	126,710	463,025	
SORGHUM GRAIN	On Farms 1/	5/ 5,178	5,553	8,606	3,412	
	Terminals 2/	6,976	23,755	19,922	18,806	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	1,036	6	8	20	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	12,194	52,062	70,462	58,402	
	TOTAL	5/ 27,210	81,376	98,998	80,640	
SOYBEANS	On Farms 1/	2,464	1,995	36,805	3,657	
	Terminals 2/	746	369	5,583	3,539	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	166	0	74	0	
	Processing Plants 6/	834	291	18,724	1,493	
	Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/4/	555	1,076	26,109	1,241	
	TOTAL	4,763	3,731	87,295	9,930	
FLAXSEED	On Farms 1/	5/ 18,848	28,341	2,601	13,981	
	Terminals 2/	5/ 8,689	2,049	9,211	3,731	
	Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	5/ 4	0	0	0	
	All others 1/4/	5/ 12,639	14,484	7,687	10,708	
	TOTAL	5/ 40,181	44,874	19,499	28,420	

- 1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.
- 2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 45 Terminal cities.
- 3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.
- 4/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated, including merchant mills.
- 5/ 1947-55 average.
- 6/ Firms reporting crushings and stocks of soybeans to the Bureau of the Census.

Stocks of grains, October 1, 1957

State	Wheat				Rye			
	Off-farm total 1/ October 1		Total 2/ all positions October 1		Off-farm total 1/ October 1		Total 2/ all positions October 1	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
N.Eng.:	1,332	1,283	1,332	1,283	*	25	*	25
N. Y.:	59,900	49,187	64,609	52,942	1,929	1,697	2,098	1,924
N. J.:	1,476	468	2,109	1,073	56	5	164	70
Pa.:	8,171	6,859	14,091	11,942	*	119	*	389
Ohio:	25,927	18,099	37,036	26,488	32	15	274	252
Ind.:	9,264	7,773	16,380	13,070	75	57	705	643
Ill.:	40,003	33,014	50,117	38,306	3,597	3,784	4,290	4,422
Mich.:	11,466	9,074	24,921	20,372	45	78	481	438
Wis.:	18,951	25,272	20,017	26,163	911	345	1,284	571
Minn.:	68,711	66,415	79,558	74,930	3,867	1,848	4,659	2,499
Iowa:	12,084	7,883	12,533	8,398	95	156	196	354
Mo.:	59,935	48,667	67,405	54,762	167	243	488	579
N.Dak.:	47,799	45,381	134,940	133,826	1,560	1,426	4,664	3,936
S.Dak.:	20,307	20,216	32,214	46,720	649	928	1,970	4,146
Nebr.:	89,282	90,740	125,848	130,337	281	284	1,151	1,994
Kans.:	346,785	345,570	388,337	370,278	131	274	518	1,096
Del.:	173	98	269	168	9	9	166	102
Md.:	8,119	6,450	8,829	7,215	503	99	697	197
Va.:	24,711	15,621	27,244	16,794	47	8	225	143
W. Va.:	118	81	819	563	---	---	---	---
N.C.:	3,193	2,419	7,809	4,710	18	16	248	181
S.C.:	1,320	1,151	2,569	1,908	*	*	*	*
Ga.:	1,110	624	1,816	1,179	9	4	114	79
Fla.:	6	8	6	8	*	*	*	*
Ky.:	6,269	4,639	7,860	5,435	227	390	465	535
Tenn.:	3,909	3,600	4,924	4,385	21	11	147	100
Ala.:	*	*	*	*	96	*	96	*
Miss.:	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ark.:	844	993	1,254	1,645	*	2	*	2
La.:	*	*	*	*	13	---	13	---
Okla.:	121,650	97,410	133,069	104,754	17	48	377	613
Texas:	118,762	108,037	123,248	111,889	397	82	492	283
Mont.:	25,906	22,620	104,191	90,496	34	7	98	142
Idaho:	20,435	16,872	33,688	31,003	18	18	58	74
Wyo.:	1,506	1,970	3,903	4,936	25	26	105	112
Colo.:	30,541	30,863	41,281	50,248	10	40	62	369
N.Mex.:	3,851	4,542	4,072	4,876	*	2	*	33
Ariz.:	724	690	1,072	963	---	---	---	---
Utah:	6,853	5,980	10,781	9,900	---	3	38	57
Nev.:	*	20	*	412	---	---	---	---
Wash.:	94,929	59,073	111,082	73,521	414	1,845	744	2,489
Oreg.:	69,468	37,732	77,918	45,259	56	289	259	500
Calif.:	4,839	3,427	7,728	4,963	28	16	112	107

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* Unallocated-to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, October 1, 1957 - Continued

State	Shelled and ear corn (old crop)				Oats			
	Off-farm total 1/ October 1		Total 2/ all positions October 1		Off-farm total 1/ October 1		Total 2/ all positions October 1	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
N.Eng.	751	1,795	801	1,816	1,154	452	5,186	4,250
N.Y.	11,127	19,666	12,709	21,135	7,993	5,784	30,949	37,071
N.J.	133	687	288	1,414	452	140	1,447	877
Pa.	1,540	3,982	6,590	13,521	1,171	909	27,776	26,983
Ohio	20,958	30,326	31,554	45,694	7,380	4,087	42,887	37,150
Ind.	45,107	49,579	55,855	71,155	3,873	3,477	44,373	32,275
Ill.	161,920	184,006	181,822	230,605	12,578	6,713	109,768	85,573
Mich.	10,824	13,669	18,565	23,227	1,747	1,085	36,249	37,109
Wis.	9,713	11,407	14,807	28,119	5,014	2,471	121,394	120,954
Minn.	98,691	76,440	145,751	167,750	22,155	18,612	172,980	176,162
Iowa	313,641	308,885	428,459	425,712	10,339	8,437	120,961	188,780
Mo.	22,297	30,601	28,350	44,997	4,162	4,169	36,601	35,024
N.Dak.	1,317	1,414	2,579	3,247	5,802	4,697	56,164	67,763
S.Dak.	47,804	73,391	61,355	73,079	9,401	5,713	60,042	108,008
Nebr.	91,458	114,120	109,603	132,145	1,730	2,294	18,253	47,324
Kans.	10,842	25,103	12,837	26,680	1,278	1,125	17,038	29,061
Del.	97	215	330	402	109	32	327	167
Md.	905	1,363	1,658	3,067	260	357	1,992	1,945
Va.	875	596	2,289	3,415	287	243	3,403	2,650
W.Va.	36	15	680	997	11	16	937	940
N.C.	144	711	4,513	5,684	1,570	1,537	13,378	8,744
S.C.	19	*	2,489	*	1,425	1,123	12,732	7,382
Ga.	85	41	3,835	2,118	4,377	2,975	11,807	8,154
Fla.	7	1	151	383	76	34	326	280
Ky.	2,378	3,029	7,378	9,587	128	108	1,672	966
Tenn.	260	360	4,327	3,538	2,171	1,783	6,509	4,451
Ala.	48	76	4,710	1,891	683	623	4,049	2,145
Miss.	49	71	3,338	2,142	1,987	2,016	8,892	7,929
Ark.	43	333	1,366	1,467	1,470	1,464	8,153	3,963
La.	541	679	1,335	1,372	1,700	576	3,610	1,455
Okla.	10	144	368	422	450	1,659	8,496	13,817
Texas	69	4,801	1,452	5,458	3,115	3,859	15,000	27,634
Mont.	17	9	23	13	339	1,334	9,671	12,165
Idaho	19	28	84	127	1,997	2,824	7,242	9,141
Wyo.	22	20	67	29	146	112	3,401	3,797
Colo.	305	378	533	764	334	461	3,345	4,816
N.Mex.	4	31	34	61	21	19	221	437
Ariz.	8	*	108	*	91	120	391	420
Utah	191	106	193	110	171	264	1,497	1,593
Nev.	---	---	---	---	48	4	255	188
Wash.	4,446	142	4,556	174	3,215	5,154	8,084	9,799
Oreg.	3,868	133	3,922	177	3,814	3,606	10,395	10,252
Calif.	2,831	1,956	2,831	1,956	1,643	2,388	3,408	4,475
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U.S.	865,400	940,376	1,165,495	1,356,652	127,867	104,886	1,051,261	1,184,069

*Unallocated to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, October 1, 1957 - Continued

State	Barley				Sorghum Grain (old crop)			
	Off-farm		Total 2/		Off-farm		Total 2/	
	total 1/		all positions		total 1/		all positions	
	October 1		October 1		October 1		October 1	
	1955	1957	1955	1957	1955	1957	1955	1957
	I,000	I,000	I,000	I,000	I,000	I,000	I,000	I,000
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
N.Eng.	81	276	113	307	---	---	---	---
N.Y.	6,549	4,063	8,159	5,532	3	6	3	6
N.J.	259	510	694	1,091	4	1	4	1
Pa.	815	420	6,885	6,112	7	20	7	20
Ohio	*	221	*	2,038	7	6	7	6
Ind.	71	92	1,516	1,440	---	---	2	2
Ill.	2,136	1,398	4,140	3,152	47	*	47	*
Mich.	331	281	2,342	2,214	---	---	---	---
Wis.	28,924	18,353	30,764	19,752	---	---	---	---
Minn.	27,456	23,005	48,097	41,072	*	7	*	7
Iowa	*	*	*	*	19	22	29	87
Mo.	1,447	1,656	7,715	6,659	232	260	307	316
N.Dak.	14,115	18,191	70,021	81,641	---	---	---	---
S.Dak.	946	1,316	7,135	12,453	4	36	53	99
Nebr.	347	308	1,761	5,750	282	98	718	534
Kans.	711	1,614	6,849	12,912	3,784	2,210	5,280	3,064
Del.	55	29	353	227	*	---	*	---
Md.	617	651	2,588	2,486	*	2	*	2
Va.	146	205	3,025	2,154	---	---	---	---
W.Va.	5	7	352	320	---	---	---	---
N.C.	208	197	1,653	1,205	2	4	86	36
S.C.	64	60	698	692	---	1	13	6
Ga.	18	54	162	219	---	1	18	17
Fla.	---	*	---	*	---	*	---	*
Ky.	62	680	1,798	1,789	*	---	*	11
Tenn.	283	277	1,100	955	49	50	71	60
Ala.	119	251	119	251	95	---	112	6
Miss.	18	17	402	297	2	*	6	*
Ark.	283	644	726	886	*	15	*	15
La.	65	*	65	*	*	*	*	*
Okla.	204	3,996	2,302	8,419	1,076	1,348	1,652	1,595
Texas	638	7,955	1,566	9,686	63,674	64,366	65,899	65,608
Mont.	5,222	5,139	33,759	49,235	---	---	---	---
Idaho	7,266	7,774	17,544	19,576	---	---	---	---
Wyo.	129	148	2,829	3,611	2	2	2	2
Colo.	2,312	3,718	7,506	15,506	484	374	657	631
N.Mex.	23	41	258	473	808	1,002	974	1,089
Ariz.	3,358	3,866	5,434	5,486	1,139	1,029	1,275	1,051
Utah	1,234	1,766	5,518	6,712	---	---	---	---
Nev.	78	50	762	677	---	---	---	---
Wash.	21,505	39,014	28,839	47,095	4	---	4	---
Oreg.	15,133	17,190	24,752	26,280	33	6	33	6
Calif.	19,845	25,778	45,007	56,463	836	926	836	926
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cated *	798	214	3,581	905	3,230	5,436	3,281	5,437
U.S.	163,876	191,425	388,889	453,730	75,823	77,228	81,376	80,540

* Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations. 1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under CCC control. 2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Stocks of grains, October 1, 1957 - Continued

State	Soybeans				Flaxseed			
	Off-Farm		Total 2/		Off-farm		Total 2/	
	total 1/		all positions		total 1/		all positions	
	October 1		October 1		October 1		October 1	
	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
N.Y.	---	---	---	---	129	263	129	263
Ohio	---	156	---	322	---	---	---	---
Ind.	58	396	277	1,178	---	---	---	---
Ill.	284	2,088	782	2,763	---	---	---	---
Wis.	---	---	---	---	193	902	296	996
Minn.	302	397	522	1,185	6,708	6,289	11,882	8,003
Iowa	325	970	687	1,275	95	60	164	166
Mo.	69	90	169	286	---	---	---	---
N.Dak.	---	---	---	---	7,309	4,622	27,061	14,372
S.Dak.	---	---	---	---	1,435	1,455	4,110	3,205
Kans.	10	---	27	---	---	---	---	---
N.C.	12	176	37	310	---	---	---	---
Mont.	---	---	---	---	40	46	409	494
Calif.	---	---	---	---	524	586	719	702
Unallocated and others*	676	1,990	1,230	2,611	100	216	104	219
U. S.	1,736	6,273	3,731	9,930	16,533	14,439	44,874	28,420

* Other States and unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS: at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in bins and other storages under CCC control.

2/ Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

Flaxseed stocks in all storage positions on October 1 totaled 28.4 million bushels. This was down sharply from the 44.9 million bushels on hand a year earlier and the lowest October 1 stocks in the 11 years of record.

Current stocks indicate a disappearance during the July - September quarter of 18.1 million bushels from a supply of 46.6 million bushels (carryover of 19.5 million plus a new crop of 27.1 million bushels.) During the quarter, crushings were reported at 9.4 million bushels and exports for the same period are estimated at 7.8 million bushels. This accounts for 17.2 million bushels and in addition some new crop flaxseed was processed prior to July 1.

These totals are assembled by the Crop Reporting Board, bringing together commercial stocks at terminals as reported by the Grain Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service, stocks of soybeans at processing plants as reported by the Census Bureau; grains reported by the Grain Branch of the Commodity Stabilization Service as owned by Commodity Credit Corporation and stored in bins, ships, and other storages under CCC control; estimates of the Crop Reporting Board for stocks on farms and at merchant mills and interior mills, elevators, and warehouses.

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